

Amendments to the Specification:

Page 1 line 1, delete “Description”.

Page 1, before the paragraph beginning with “The invention relates”, insert the following title:

-- FIELD OF THE INVENTION --.

Page 1 before the paragraph beginning with “The protection of a device”, insert the following title:

-- BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION --.

Page 1, the paragraph beginning with “For example, the method”, replace the paragraph with the following paragraph:

For example, the method is used for car radios, since a car radio can be easily removed by breaking into the car. Usually a PIN number is stored in the device and when the device is delivered, the customer is provided with this ~~pin~~ PIN number, for example, by means of a sticker on the operating instructions. Provided that the device and the PIN are kept in separate places, the device is thus inoperable and, consequently, it is of no interest to the thief. With car radios, the ~~Pin~~ PIN number is required if a disconnection from the power system occurs or each time it is turned on.

Page 2, the paragraph beginning with “The problem with”, insert the following title:

-- SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --.

Page 4, before the paragraph beginning with “The method is explained”, insert the following title:

-- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS --.

Page 4, before the paragraph beginning with “Figure 1 shows the sequence”, insert the following title:

-- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PRESENTLY PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS --.

Page 9, delete “Patent Claims” and insert therefor --What is claimed is:--.